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APPENDIX

Hizballah (Party of God) is the name given to the Shia fundamentalist movement in Lebanon. Hizballah is driven by a fanatic ideology that is inspired by the Iranian revolution and aims ultimately to establish an Islamic republic in Lebanon. The immediate objectives of Hizballah are to remove all vestiges of U.S., Western, and Israeli influence from Lebanon, and to challenge the leadership of the more moderate Amal movement.* Hizballah scorns the secular approach of Amal, which seeks to redress Shia grievances through negotiation with other factions in the Lebanese political system. Hizballah leaders advocate a more simplistic, less compromising strategy--"jihad" (holy war)--to accomplish their goals. [REDACTED]

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The Iranian Government has accelerated the development of militant Shia fundamentalists in Lebanon and has influence in nearly every area of Hizballah activity in Lebanon. Iran, through its diplomats, intelligence officers, and the Revolutionary Guard contingent in the Bekka Valley, provides weapons, money, guidance and political and ideological support to the Hizballah network. The Syrian Government allows the Hizballah to operate from bases in the Syrian-controlled Bekka Valley. [REDACTED]

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Hizballah is both an increasingly well-organized network of paramilitary and terrorist groups and a grass roots movement that has political, social and religious dimensions. Radical Shia leaders have transformed a collection of rival factions into a highly structured, cooperative network. The original component groups of Hizballah maintain close contacts with each other and increasingly operate as one organization. Their individual organizational identities are becoming submerged in the broader Hizballah network. [REDACTED]

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*Hizballah leaders published their first comprehensive political platform in Beirut newspapers last February. This "manifesto" leaves no room for doubt concerning Hizballah's policy toward the United States: "Each of us is a combat soldier when the call of Jihad demands it...we are moving in the direction of fighting the roots of vice, and the first root of vice is America...what is important is that we turn Lebanon into a graveyard for American schemes." [REDACTED]

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